



SPAR eNEWS

"Know the Happenings in Shreveport's Public Assembly and Recreation Department"

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Recreation



SPAR along with L&H Barbers, Inc recently offered free haircuts at Valencia Park Community Center. A total of 27 kids received free haircuts provided by Brian Hampton and Byron Lanaeux of L&H Barbers, Inc.

Brian and Byron hope to give back to the community by assisting those in need during these trying economic times. The haircuts are free and on a first come, first served basis. The event will rotate among the different community centers monthly.

For additional information, contact Brian or Byron at 631-1989 or call Germaine Williams, SPAR Superintendant, at 673-7873.

Athletics

The SPAR Fall Basketball League entry fee is \$200.00. Entry deadline is October 27, 2008. League play begins on November 10, 2008.

SPAR Industrial Basketball League begins December 7, 2008. Entry fee is \$300.00. Entry deadline is November 21, 2008. Organizational meeting, October 5, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. at the SPAR Office.

2009 MLK Basketball Tournament February 13-15, 2009. Tournament open to Adult Men, Women, Coed, Therapeutic, and Youth Boys and Girl's teams. Entry deadline January 23, 2009.

For more info call Mary Murphy at 318-673-7776 or Kronski Grigsby at 318-673-7749.

For other athletic information call 673-7749 or log onto our website @ www.myspar.org

Learn to play the Guitar



With more than 10 years of performing, teaching and recording experience, Danny Kirkpatrick offers his students customized instruction in guitar that meet their interests. He offers 45 minute small group instruction. The students will learn cords, fingering, application and theory.

Interested in learning the guitar? Well now's the time! Classes are held Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 5:00, 6:00 & 7:00 PM at Southern Hills Recreation Center, 1002 Bert Kouns. For more information call 318-617-9227.

Youth Programs

The SPAR After School Programs have many skilled instructors offering our kids and teens a variety of wonderful classes to help motivate, encourage and inspire. One of our instructors, Mr. Michael Phillips, teaches a "Business Appreciation Through Academic Enhancement" class that the students have really taken to. In fact, a number of kids rush from football practice to make the class on time.

Recently Mr. Phillips pitted his class trainees against a group of novices in a math problem solving competition at Valencia Park. The problems had to be solved in the competitor's head. The noise, excitement and competitive spirit were reminiscent of an athletic event.

The next classes will be held at Hattie Perry Park for the first three weeks of October. Parents should take advantage of the opportunity and enroll their kids now!

For more information call 673-5336.

Upcoming Events

Movies & Moonbeams

October 3 - The Wizard of Oz (Riverview Park) 7:30 PM

October 4 - 11 Red River Revel (Festival Plaza) 11:00 AM

October 6 - SPAR Computer Classes Begin
Call 673-7845 for info

October 17 - Nutty Professor (Cedar Grove Park) 7:30 PM

October 31 - City Wide Halloween Parties @ 15 Recreation Centers
5:00 - 8:00 PM

Happy Halloween!



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Photo Contest!



Take A Pic and Win A Tee

Take a fantastic photo of your family, friends and you enjoying a SPAR facility or event and win a T-shirt! Contest open to all except SPAR employees and their family.

Win your t-shirt now!

Email photograph to: frederick.lewis@shreveportla.gov

Include "Photo Contest" in subject along with relevant names, facility and event. Must be 2008 photo.

Senior Happenings



The Seniors held their first Grandparents Tea on Friday, September 22, at the Randle T. Moore Recreation Center. Over 100 Seniors attended the event. Certificates, memorial poems and decorative buttons were presented to the grandparents. Airport Park Senior Choir performed two tributes of songs to the Grandparents, and the program was highlighted by Mary Antwine, singing "I Won't Complain". Also, on display were two lovely collages of grandparents and their grandchildren.



The Senior Program computer classes will resume on October 6. There will be the Basic Computer Class, which will consist of functions of the mouse, developing an e-mail address; surfing the Internet, tracing "family trees", etc. The Advance Computer Class will consist of developing a web site, making charts, developing slide shows, etc.

For more information on SPAR Senior Programs call Camille Webb at 673-7845 or visit www.myspar.org.